FISCAL NOTE

HB 2080 - SB 2714

January 23, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Permits Tennessee residents between 13 and 17 years of age, instead of 13 and 15, to purchase the junior hunting, fishing and trapping license. Such license shall entitle the individual to the privileges of sport fishing, trapping and hunting without the requirement of any other license or supplemental license. Any resident under 13 years of age is exempt from the license requirement. Currently residents ages 13 through 15 are allowed to buy a Junior Hunting, Fishing and Trapping license, rather than an adult license.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - Net Impact - Exceeds \$390,000/ Wildlife Resources Fund

Estimate assumes:

- Loss of state revenue would depend on the number of residents between 16 and 17 years of age currently purchasing a license or supplemental license who would purchase the less expensive junior license under the provisions of this bill.
- Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency sold approximately 28,369 licenses and collected \$589,756 in revenue during the last fiscal year from 16 and 17 year olds who would be exempt from buying adult licenses with passage of this bill.
- The agency would sell an additional 28,369 junior licenses at \$7 for a total of \$198,583 resulting in a net loss to the Wildlife Resources Fund of \$391,173.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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